

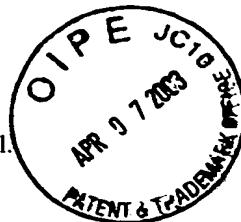
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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Laura M. ZANIBELLI, et al.

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FILED: March 31, 2000

FOR: CATALYTIC COMPOSITION FOR THE UPGRADING OF HYDROCARBONS HAVING BOILING POINTS WITHIN THE NAPHTHA RANGE



"RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.16
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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 w/attached marked-up copy in the above-identified application.

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 Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
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SIR:

Responsive to the final Official Action dated December 6, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete the paragraph bridging pages 9 and 10 in favor of the following new paragraph.

-- As far as the metal phase (b) of the catalyst is concerned, it can be introduced by means of aqueous or alcohol impregnation. According to the first technique, the silica and alumina gel, also in extruded form, is wetted with an aqueous solution of a compound of a metal of Group VIB, for example ammonium heptamolybdate, the resulting product is dried, is optionally calcined, and is then impregnated with an aqueous solution of a compound of the